

## **Community Planning and Economic Development News Release**

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### **2015 Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Award Recipients Announced**

**Thursday, May 21, 2015 (Minneapolis, MN)** - Earlier today, Preservation Award partners Preserve Minneapolis, the Minneapolis Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), and the Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commission announced the recipients of 2015 Annual Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Awards during a luncheon at International Market Square.

The following honors were presented at the 25th Annual Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Awards:

#### **Historic Restoration, Rehabilitation, or Adaptive Reuse Project**

ASI Turnblad Mansion Kitchen Restoration  
Bennett-McBride House  
Grain Belt Office Building Rehabilitation  
Sandbo Roof Replacement  
Valspar Headquarters/VAST Rehabilitation

#### **New Addition to an Historic Building**

Emanuel Housing

#### **Grassroots: Advocacy & Education**

Legendary Homes of the Minneapolis Lakes

#### **The Steve Murray Award**

Barbara Bezat

The Minneapolis Preservation Awards highlight the year's best achievements for transforming a historic property, building, or landscape and reinventing it to incorporate both new and old elements in a way that is respectful to the past. Projects are judged on attention to the quality of design, architecture, workmanship, and materials as well as the positive impact on the surrounding neighborhood and community.

Awards are made based on nomination materials submitted. Projects were judged based on their careful attention to the quality of design, architecture, workmanship, and materials as well as their positive impact on surrounding neighborhoods and community. A jury comprised of three Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commissioners, two members of the American Institute of Architects Minneapolis Chapter, and two board members from Preserve Minneapolis reviewed the nominations.

The 2015 Minneapolis Preservation Awards program is attached for additional details on each of this year's awards recipients. To learn more about the awards visit the Preserve Minneapolis website.

For more information about each project visit AIA Minnesota's [website](#).

## **About the Partners**

### **American Institute of Architects**

The American Institute of Architects Minnesota, founded in 1892, is dedicated to strengthening our communities, improving our built environment and providing exceptional design. For more information on the organization and Minnesota architectural firms, reference our Web site at [www.aia-mn.org](http://www.aia-mn.org) and pick up a copy of Architecture Minnesota, the award-winning architectural magazine of the Midwest.

### **Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commission**

The Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) was formed in 1972 to serve as a citizen advisory body to the Minneapolis City Council. The HPC is part of a nation-wide network of groups dedicated to the preservation and celebration of our local and national heritage. The Commission holds public hearings on matters related to preservation twice each month. Projects that come before the commission are administered through professional preservation-planning staff in the City of Minneapolis Community Planning and Economic Development Department (CPED).

These meetings are specifically held so that the Commission can hear from the public on matters related to heritage preservation. The public is welcome to attend and highly encouraged to participate.

### **Preserve Minneapolis**

Preserve Minneapolis is a newly registered non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life in Minneapolis by recognizing, preserving, and revitalizing the architectural and related cultural resources of the city of Minneapolis.